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SUBJ: AMBASSADOR'S FEB 7 CALL ON PRIME MINISTER

- 1. MONRING PRESS FEB. 8 DESCRIBED AMBASSADOR'S CALL ON PRIME MINISTER GONCALVES FEB 7 AS ROUTINE COURTESY CALL. SUCH CALLS USUALLY MERIT LINE OR TWO IN PRESS. AMBASSADOR'S CALL GIVEN MORE THAN CUSTOMARY ATTENTION.
- 2. O SECULO (LEFT-LEANING) RAN TWO COLUMN PHOTO ABOVE CENTER FOLD PAGE ONE UNDER TITLE "CARLUCCI AT SAO BENTO," DITTO WEEKLY EXPRESSO.
- 3. DIARIO DE NOTICIAS (MODERATE SOCIALIST) REPORTED CALL AND EXCHANGE WITH NEWSMEN AFTERWARDS UNDER TWO COLUMN PHOTO OF UNCLASSIFIED

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AMBASSADOR AND PRIME MINISTER ON INSIDE PAGE. HEADLINE QUOTED

PM SAYING HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE NEW AMERICAN AMBASSADOR BASED ON "FRANKNESS, SINCERITY, AND CLARITY OF PURPOSE." ACCORDING TO DN, PM SAID AMBASSADOR HAD NOT PAID CALL TO DISCUSS "PROBLEMS" CONNECTED WITH SHORE LEAVE FOR PERSONNEL PARTICIPATING IN NATO EXERCISE "LOCKED GATE." PM SAID ELEMENTS OF NATO ARE GOING TO SAY WHEN THEY RETURN TO THEIR OWN COUNTRIES THAT THEY FOUND PORTUGAL TO BE PEACEFUL AND NORMAL. "THEY ARE NOT GOING TO BE ABLE TO SAY ANYTHING ELSE." PM SAID GOP WAS TAKING ALL NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS TO AVOID INCIDENTS, "INCIDENTS WHICH WOULD ONLY SERVE THE ENEMIES OF DEMOCRACY AND THE ARMED FORCES MOVEMENT."

4. DIARIO DE NOTICIAS REPORTS "AMBASSADOR CARLUCCI, SPEAKING IN PORTUGUESE, CONFIRMED HIS INTENTION TO DEAL DIRECTLY WITH THE PRIME MINISTER ON A BASIS OF FRANKNESS." DN QUOTES AMBASSADOR AS SAYING PRIME MINISTER "IS A MAN WHO SPEAKS PLAINLY AND I LIKE THIS." ONE JOURNALIST ASKED AMBASSADOR TO COMMENT ON SITUATION IN PORTUGAL. DN ACCURATELY QUOTED AMBASSADOR AS REPLYING "I DO NOT WANT TO INJECT MYSELF INTO PORTUGUESE INTERNAL AFFAIRS. A FOREIGN AMBASSADOR SHOULD DEAL WITH MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT, SUCH AS THE PRIME MINISTER, AND AVOID GETTING INVOLVED IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF PORTUGAL."

5. AMBASSADOR'S CALL ON PM ALSO REPORTED BRIEFLY IN MAIN RADIO AND TV NEWSCASTS.
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